

H.R. 5517, Gandhi-King Scholarly Exchange Initiative Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on July 29, 2020

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2025	2020-2030
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	51	not estimated
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2031?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

H.R. 5517 would authorize the appropriation of \$97 million for a new foundation and other programs that would focus on the legacies of Mohandas K. Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Specifically, the bill would authorize:

- Up to \$90 million over the 2021-2025 period for the U.S. Agency for International Development to establish a foundation to address development challenges in India;
- Up to \$5 million over the same period for a new educational exchange program managed by the Department of State; and
- Up to \$2 million in 2021 for the U.S. Institute of Peace to create a training program on nonviolent methods of conflict resolution.

Finally, H.R. 5517 would require the federal agencies implementing those programs to provide regular progress reports to the Congress.

Assuming the maximum amounts authorized under the bill are appropriated, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5517 would cost \$51 million over the 2021-2025 period (see Table 1). The remainder would be spent after 2025. If the Congress appropriates less than those amounts, the estimated costs would be correspondingly lower.

On the basis of information about similar reporting requirements, CBO estimates that providing the required reports would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2021-2025 period. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

**Table 1.
Estimated Budgetary Effects of H.R. 5517**

	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars						2020-2025
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriations							
Foundation							
Estimated Authorization	0	30	15	15	15	15	90
Estimated Outlays	0	*	6	11	14	14	45
Educational Exchange Program							
Estimated Authorization	0	1	1	1	1	1	5
Estimated Outlays	0	*	1	1	1	1	4
Training Program							
Estimated Authorization	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Estimated Outlays	0	1	*	*	*	*	2
Total Changes							
Estimated Authorization	0	33	16	16	16	16	97
Estimated Outlays	0	2	7	12	15	15	51

Components may not sum to totals because of rounding; * = between zero and \$500,000.

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